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To: "GRIJALVA, FERNANDO T"

Subject:

Good morning Fernando, My assistant refuge manager met with representatives from the local "No More Deaths" and "Ajo Samaritans" last week to discuss having a clean up on the refuge to remove discarded water containers and other waste materials remaining from the materials these groups put out for illegal border crossers. During the discussions, several folks claimed that at the Western Pima County Community Council meeting last month that you stated that the majority of illegal traffic coming through the Ajo area was 95% people looking for work and sanctuary and 5% drug trafficking. I assume that they misunderstood what you said and that the opposite is true. If this is correct, can you send me an email that we can forward to them clarifying the facts? Many of these local folks putting out water and food think they are saving folks that are here seeking jobs or sanctuary. I tell everyone that the illegal traffic on the Cabeza Prieta is almost all drug smuggling.

Thank you

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